

Ohio Valley Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC)

July 25, 2012

Vice Chair Report - Beth Nevel

The group reviewed the minutes from July 18th. There were a few minor changes on the Kenneth Copeland Ministries Event. The Event will be held on July 28th. The group was reminded about the confidentiality agreement that each signs at the sign-in.

The LTRC will continue to meet weekly through the month of August. Beginning in September the LTRC will meet bi-weekly.

We will be setting up a Donations After Action Meeting with Roy Nelson.

The first Newsletter will be going out in mid/late August. It will list the LTRC Mission and Accomplishments. It will have a picture of the Park National Bank Donation presentation. It will have photos; Updates on progress, home reconstruction, mattress, furniture, and appliances needs. It will also include a safety message. On the back we will list all of the agencies and organizations that have supported the recovery effort.

Government Report – Pam Broughton

Ohio EMA announced yesterday that they will have Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds available for residential safe rooms. The Ohio Safe Room Rebate Program will be open for individual citizens to apply. The tentative application period is July 31st, 2012 – October 1st, 2012. The state has funding for up to 150 safe rooms throughout the state. The maximum rebate is \$6,000.00. Flood mitigation measures require that any safe room be 2 feet above base flood elevation.

If the State receives a Federal Disaster Declaration for the June 29th Storms, Pre-Disaster Mitigation funds may be available for community safe rooms. In order to be eligible, Clermont County and the local communities/municipalities will need to participate and approve the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. The County held the Hazard Mitigation Plan Kick-off Meeting on June 20th. The Plan update is expected to take 6 to 9 months to complete and approve. Chris Kelson provided an article from USA Today about tornado shelters. One model will be on display in the Ohio EMA Booth at the State Fair. These shelters are short term shelters.

Financial Report

Beth shared a hurricane awareness insert from her Florida Credit Union with Park National Bank Representatives. Park National Bank has begun to include a preparedness insert with their monthly statements. The group discussed also reaching out to New Richmond and Tate Monroe Water and Duke Energy.

Payments:

- Lutheran Disaster Response for Pike County Home (discussed at previous meeting): \$6,000.00
- Phone/Internet at Donation Center (March & June) (discussed at previous meeting): \$ 204.97

Revenue:

- Batavia Rotary (Reimbursement for mattresses): \$2,135.00

Balance: \$26,334.09

Volunteer Management

Dawn Stutz is stepping down at the Volunteer Management Coordinator. Mickey will be coordinating volunteer opportunities in the Village of Moscow. Bev will coordinate volunteer activities outside of the Village.

Volunteer Opportunities

- There are 2 homes that need to be gutted. Mickey is currently utilizing a young adult group from West Chester. The group will be in the Village the next two Tuesdays.
- Tree Planting – The first tree planting will take place September 13-15. Thursday and Friday will be prep days and Saturday will be the planting. A couple of hundred trees will be planted over the weekend. Mickey will be working with Duke, Home Depot, and the Cincinnati Zoo. She will also be reaching out for corporate sponsorship (e.g. donating trees). Mickey has been working with Steve Folz of the Cincinnati Zoo. Steve also has ties to the Ohio and Kentucky Growers Association and he is a Professor at the University of Cincinnati. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Mickey. The group also discussed the need for food on Saturday, September 15 and possibly lunch on Friday, September 14. Ron Stang volunteered to work with River Valley Ecumenical Churches to provide food for the volunteers.

Other Business

Kenneth Copeland Ministries will be coming to the Village of Moscow on Saturday, July 28th. They will be handing out pantry boxes to storm survivors or those in need from our entire region. To be eligible, one must pre-register by calling 1-800-600-7395 and then arrive between 9 am and 10 am on Saturday. Vouchers will be handed out at registration. A Worship service will begin at 10 am. Lunch and activities will follow. The pantry boxes will be distributed out at 2 pm. This information will be shared with the Kentucky Safety Alliance and United Way.

- Thursday, July 26th 6:30 pm Training for the volunteers
- Friday, July 27th 10 am to 5 pm Set up and prep for Saturday
- Saturday, July 28th
 - 8 am Doors open for Volunteers
 - 9 am Doors open to the Public
 - 10 am Worship Service
 - 12 pm – 1 pm Food and Activities
 - 12 pm – 2 pm Distribution of Food

Facebook – Once the newsletter is complete, it will be added to the facebook page. There have been no pictures to add to the page for the Brown County flash flood. Individuals/families seem to be working this out by themselves.

Bev has received 5 boxes of school kits. Bev is working with Kathy Coulson to hand them out at Ready Fest. Ready Fest is August 12th – 15th.

Eastgate Vineyard Church has grant funds available (approximately \$7,000) to go towards food products and personal hygiene supplies. The group had offered to put together welcome home baskets for Village residents. Bev is going to work with Linda and Mickey on this project.

Pictures from Henryville, Indiana were found in Owensville. The pictures have been returned to their rightful owner.

Sandy Keiser is coordinating the Disaster Planning Workshop, scheduled for September 11th from 7 pm to 9 pm at the Village Community Center. The evening will be broken into 4 mini workshops:

- Getting the Most Bang for your Buck - presented by Mary Hurlburt of Lifespan
- Purchasing Insurance and Negotiating with Adjusters - Pam to reach out Ohio AG's Office; Mickey to reach out to her point of contact;
- Choosing a Contactor – Pam reached out to Annette to find out what CHIP has to offer; Dan Domis
- Disaster Preparedness for the Future – Beth, Pam and Chief Owens